

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Friday, July 23, 2004.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Petruccelli of Boston in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Petruccelli), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Petitions.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Candaras of Wilbraham, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Gale D. Candaras for legislation to increase the rates of compensation payable for private counsel services in the current fiscal year.

By Mr. Ciampa of Somerville, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Vincent P. Ciampa and Paul J. Donato for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Linda J. Magno, an employee of the Department of Mental Retardation.

By Mr. Hillman of Sturbridge, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Reed V. Hillman for legislation to further regulate the collection of data relative to traffic stops by police departments.

By Mr. Nyman of Hanover, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Robert J. Nyman for legislation to further regulate the filing of certain insurance policies with the Commissioner of Insurance.

By Mr. Patrick of Falmouth (by request), petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of William K. Soares for legislation to permit smoking by patrons in certain bars and cocktail lounges.

By Mr. Spellane of Worcester, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Robert Spellane that the Teachers' Retirement Board be authorized to grant certain creditable service to Nancy C. Schlemminger.

By Mr. Walsh of Boston, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Martin J. Walsh for legislation to further protect employees from loss of wages and other benefits in public construction contracts.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Paper from the Senate.

The House Bill releasing certain land located in the town of Danvers from the operation of an agricultural preservation restriction (House, No. 1594) came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text contained in Senate document numbered 2382; and striking out the title and inserting in place thereof the following title: "An Act relative to agricultural land at Danvers State Hospital."

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Speliotis of Danvers, the amendments (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted, in concurrence.

Emergency Measures.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the Department of Conservation and Recreation and the Department of Fish and Game to acquire conservation restrictions in and to lands owned by the cities of New Bedford and Taunton and the towns of Freetown, Lakeville, Middleborough and Rochester (see Senate, No. 1229, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The engrossed Bill relative to oil spill prevention and response in Buzzards Bay and other harbors and bays in the Commonwealth (see House, No. 4831, amended), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was considered, the question being on adopting the emergency preamble.

A separate vote was taken, as required by the provisions of Article XLVIII (as amended by Article LXVII) of the Amendments to the Constitution; and the preamble was adopted, by a vote of 4 to 0. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bills.

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Establishing a one trial system for civil cases (see House, No. 732, amended);

Providing for a strong town manager form of government in the town of Abington (see Senate, No. 2345); and

Further regulating meetings of municipal boards (see Senate, No. 2247);

(Which severally originated in the House);
Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Finneran of Boston,—
Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

At six minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Donato of Medford (Mr. Petruccelli of Boston being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Tuesday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.

Southeastern
Massachu-
setts, land.

Buzzards Bay,
oil spill.

Bills
enacted.

Next
sitting.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Private
counsel.

Linda J.
Magno,
sick leave
bank.

Police,
traffic
stops.

Insurance
policies.

Smoking,
bars.

Nancy C.
Schlemminger,
retirement.

Employee
protection.

Danvers,
agricultural land.